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1. DURING CALL BY EMBOFF FEBRUARY 15, MFA CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL I.I. VASIL'YEV READ FROM AND HANDED OVER NON-PAPER REGARDING JEWISH CEMETERY AT RADUN' (REF A). VASIL'YEV DID NOT COMMENT ON SUBSTANCE OF PAPER. EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF TEXT FOLLOWS:

"IN CONNECTION WITH NOTE NUMBER 1401 OF OCTOBER 3, 1974, FROM THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IT IS REPORTED THAT THE CEMETERY WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF RADUN', GRODNENSKAYA OBLAST WAS LIQUIDATED ('LIKVIDIROVANO.) IN JULY 1974 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SOVIET LEGISLATION, WHICH ARE ANALOGOUS TO EXISTING INTERNATIONAL NORMS IN THIS REGARD. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE FRATERNAL GRAVE WITH THE REMAINS OF 1,137 CITIZENS OF JEWISH NATIONALITY EXECUTED DURING THE OCCUPATION OF BYELORUSSIA BY THE HITLERITES WAS PRESERVED.

"ALONG WITH THE COMMUNICATION OF THIS INFORMATION AS A COURTESY, THE ATTENTION OF THE EMBASSY IS DRAWN TO THE FACT THAT QUESTIONS OF THE CONDITION OF CEMETERIES ON THE TERRITORY OF THE USSR ARE COMPLETELY WITHIN THE COMPETENCE

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OF SOVIET AUTHORITIES."

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2. THIS APPEARS TO BE THE FIRST REPLY WE HAVE HAD IN RECENT YEARS TO OUR REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ABOUT CONDITION OF JEWISH CEMETERIES. WE HAVE REQUESTED INFORMATION ON JEWISH CEMETERY AT SAMBOR (REF B) BY LETTER FROM POL COUNSELOR TO FEDOSEYEV OF MFA USA DIVISION.
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